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SUBJECT: SUMMARY OF CETERCHI IVP VISIT

1. CETERCHI PROGRAM ENDS WITH DEPARTURE FOR BUCHAREST TUESDAY EVENING, SEPTEMBER 16. CETERCHI FEELS TWO MAIN OBJECTIVES OF VISIT -- ACQUAINTANCE WITH TECHNIQUES OF SOLVING GOVERNMENTAL PROBLEMS AND BROADER EXPOSURE TO AMERICAN LIFE WERE MET. HE WAS ESPECIALLY STRUCK BY OPENNESS AND FRANKNESS OF AMERICANS WITH WHOM HE MET.

2. HIGHLIGHTS OF PROGRAM AS FOLLOWS:

WASHINGTON, D.C.: CALLS ON DEPARTMENT OF STATE, LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE SERVICE OF LIBRARY OF CONGRESS (LEGAL DEPARTMENT). PROFESSOR MARTIN DIAMOND AT WOODROW WILSON CENTER.

ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI: ATTENDANCE AT WORLD CONGRESS ON PHILOSOPHY OF LAW AND SOCIAL PHILOSOPHY.

SAN FRANCISCO: ATTENDANCE AT ANNUAL CONFERENCE OF AMERICAN POLITICAL SCIENCE ASSOCIATION. CETERCHI READ  
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PAPER ON ROLE OF TRADE UNIONS IN ROMANIA AND COMMENTED ON RECENT CHANGES IN ROMANIAN GOVERNMENTAL STRUCTURE. HIS

CONTACTS WITH AMERICAN COLLEAGUES WERE FACILIATED BY

PROFESSOR DIAMOND. CETERCHI ALSO VISITED STANFORD AND BERKELEY.

DENVER, COLORADO: VISIT TO PROJECT JURES OF U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE TO SEE USE OF COMPUTERS IN LEGAL MATTERS. CETERCHI WAS ESPECIALLY IMPRESSED BY COMPUTERIZATION OF ENTIRE U.S. LEGAL CODE AT PROJECT HEADQUARTERS.

CHICAGO: VISIT TO HEADQUARTERS OF ABA FOR DISCUSSION OF ITS ROLE IN U.S. LEGAL SYSTEM, AS WELL AS TO LOCAL LAW SCHOOLS.

CAMBRIDGE, MASS.: VISIT TO HARVARD LAW SCHOOL AND DISCUSSION OF AMERICAN LEGAL SYSTEM WITH PAUL FREUND AND OTHERS. CETERCHI ALSO MET PRIVATE LAWYER ACQUAINTANCE OF FREUND WHO INQUIRED ABOUT POSSIBILITY OF EXCHANGES OF PRACTICING LAWYERS.

NEW YORK, N.Y.: APPOINTMENTS SCHEDULED AT COLOMBIA UNIVERSITY AND COUNCIL OF FOREIGN RELATIONS.

3. ALTHOUGH CETERCHI SAYS HIS TRIP WAS MORE FOR ORIENTATION THAN TO INVESTIGATE SPECIFIC POSSIBILITIES FOR FUTURE EXCHANGES, HE HAS AGREED TO EXCHANGE OF LEGAL MATERIALS WITH AMERICAN BAR ASSOCIATION AND EXPECTS TO INITIATE ROMANIAN-AMERICAN ROUNDTABLE NEXT YEAR IN BUCHAREST WITH PARTICIPATION EMINENT U.S. SPECIALISTS ON FOREIGN RELATIONS. DEPTOFF ALSO EXPLAINED TO HIM OTHER ASPECTS OF CU-SUPPORTED PROGRAMS AND SUGGESTED THAT PRIVATE EXCHANGES MIGHT BE ARRANGED BETWEEN U.S. AND ROMANIAN UNIVERSITIES, INCLUDING THOSE IN THE LEGAL FIELD. CETERCHI WAS ENTHUSIASTIC ABOUT IDEA AND SAID HE WOULD BE HAPPY TO RECEIVE ANY PROPOSALS. HE ALSO STATED HIS INTENTION TO INFORM AMBASSADOR ABOUT HIS IMPRESSIONS AND SUGGESTIONS AFTER HIS RETURN.

4. CETERCHI FELT PROGRAM WAS UNIFORMLY EXCELLENT, WITH LIMITED OFFICIAL USE  
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ONLY NEGATIVE COMMENT DISAPPOINTMENT THAT MANY UNIVERSITIES HE WISHED TO VISIT WERE NOT YET IN SESSION. KISSINGER

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